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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to strictly regulate the activities of Non-Governmental and Voluntary Organisations engaged in various fields of social sector;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SMT. MANEKA GANDHI)

(a)to(c) Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

Statement as referred to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 260 to be answered on 6th December 2000.

a) & b) The working of the NGOs assisted by this Ministry is monitored andevaluated from time to time. These Organisations are inspected by representatives of the State Governments and the Ministry of Social Justice &Empowerment and where it is found that the delivery of services is not commensurate with the funds released by the Ministry, the NGO is warned toimprove its working. In case of failure to improve or clear defalcation of funds by NGO, further release of grant-in-aid is suspended and the NGO is blacklisted after following the prescribed procedure and process initiated for recovering the misutilized grant.

In keeping with the guidelines, the Ministry has revised the proforma forapplication which elicit relevant information on the capacity and capability of the NGO applying for fresh projects, and has incorporated vital indicators of performance by the project implementing organization. With the objective of ensuring transparency and accountability in the release of grants and in the utilization of government money, the Ministry had circulated a list of NGOsfunded by this Ministry. A Grant-in Aid module has also been incorporated in the Ministry`s website which provides for detail browsing of grant released to all Non-Government Organisation for the current year and the last two years. With a view to strengthen the monitoring procedure, the ministry has also proposed to set up an inspectorate consisting of experts in the various fields to conduct inspection of the project funded by the Ministry.

c) Does not arise.